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SUMMARY: KOSYGIN, GOSPLAN CHAIRMAN BAYBAKOV, CM DEPUTY CHAIRMAN DYMSHITS AND A NUMBER OF MINISTERS ARE VISITING SOVIET OIL AND GAS CENTERSIN WHAT LOOKS LIKE CONTINUED HIGH-LEVEL INTEREST IN, IF NOT CONCERN OVER, THE USSR'S LIQUID FUELS PICTURE.

1. ACCORDING TO PRAVDA (MARCH 23) KOSYGIN WAS IN ORENBURG ON MARCH 21, VISITED THE GAS PROCESSING PLANT AND MET WITH WORKERS AND ENGINEERING PERSONNEL. HE ALSO MET WITH OBLAST PARTY-MANAGERIAL ACTIVISTS AND SPECIALISTS OF THE GAS INDUSTRY. ON MARCH 22 HE WAS IN NIZHNEVARTOVSK AND SURGUT FOR SIMILAR MEETINGS, THEN DEPARTED FOR TYUMEN'.

2. COMMENT: SUCH HIGH LEVEL TRAVEL OFTEN SUGGESTS THAT
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SOMETHING NEEDS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. TO DATE, PUBLISHED FIGURES FOR THE GAS INDUSTRY SHOW IT DOING FAIRLY WELL, BUT THERE IS SOME QUESTION ABOUT THE PACE OF DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CAPACITY. TOON

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